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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Monday, April 20, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED	May 18, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT

Philip Thompson, Professional Member, **President**, Presiding
Diane Postell, Professional Member, **Vice President**
Fran Franklin, Professional Member, **Secretary**
Ralph Robinson, Professional Member
Joseph McDonough, Public Member
Barbara Reed, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General
Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II
Kay Warren, Deputy Director

MEMBERS ABSENT

Louise Allen Frazier, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Gail Levinson, Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware
Julie Jenks Zorach, Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware
Christine Matthews, Beebe Medical Center & Wilmington University

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Thompson called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the March 16, 2009 minutes for approval. Mr. McDonough made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Sign Order from Hearing for Complaint #31-05-08

This item was tabled until the May meeting.

Sign Order from Hearing for PTD Application – Eilers

This item was tabled until the May meeting.

Discussion Regarding HB 125

The Board reviewed HB 125 that was initiated by the Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware. Ms. Warren questioned whether a grandfathering or delay of implementation was needed to allow everyone to get licensed who will need to be. Ms. Levinson advised that there were some things unintentionally left out of the Bill and this was one of them. There were several other things left out. The Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware will be requesting an amendment to the Bill. Ms. Levinson also advised the Board that there is an upcoming committee meeting being held by the Health & Human Development Committee to discuss this Bill. The Clinical Social Work Society of Delaware would like for someone from the Board to attend is possible.

Discussion Regarding Revisions to the Statute and Rules & Regulations

This item was tabled until the May meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Melanie McCarraher

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Ms. McCarraher. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Janet Jinor

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Ms. Jinor. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Natalie Cherrix

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Ms. Cherrix. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Michelle Gordon-Akinola

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Ms. Gordon-Akinola. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Zara Butalid

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Zara Butalid. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Sandra Shelnett

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Ms. Shelnett. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – April Thomas-Kenney

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application to sit for the ASWB exam for Ms. Thomas-Kenney. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Caryn McCardell

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Ms. McCardell. Motion unanimously carried.

Ratification of Application for Licensure by Reciprocity – Lawrence Yurow

Mr. Robinson made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to ratify the application for licensure by reciprocity for Mr. Yurow. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application to sit for the ASWB exam – Tiffany Showell's

The Board reviewed Ms. Showell's application to sit for the ASWB exam. Dr. Franklin made a motion, seconded by Ms. Frazier, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request from Sharon Fisher for a Waiver of the CE Audit

The Board reviewed Ms. Fisher's request for a waiver of the CE audit. Ms. Postell made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to deny Ms. Fisher's request for a waiver. Motion unanimously carried.

Review 2008 ASWB Exam Pass Rates

The Board reviewed the 2008 ASWB Exam Pass Rates and found that the pass rate for Delaware seems to be substantially lower than the national pass rate. The Board discussed possible reasons for the rate being low. The Board asked Ms. Slaughter to compile some statistical data concerning which schools the applicants who are failing the exam are from. This data will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Continuing Education Audit Review

The Board reviewed the audit information submitted by the licensees who were selected for random audit and took the following actions:

Certified letters will be sent to the licensees who have not responded to the audit, to advise them that they have 30 days to comply with the audit or they will need to come for a rule to show cause hearing.

Certified letters will be sent to the licensees who were deficient because the board did not accept some of their coursework due to having too much self-directed activity, to advise them that they have 90 days to make up the deficiency.

Certified letters will be sent to the licensees who were deficient because they did not have enough CE that was completed during the licensure period, to advise that they will need to come for a rule to show cause hearing.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

There was no other business before the Board.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

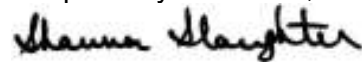
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on May 18, 2009, at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Reed made a motion, seconded by Dr. Franklin, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shauna Slaughter".

Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II
Delaware Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners